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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/614773 Confirmation No. 7993  
Applicant : Thomas G. Carter  
Filed : July 8, 2003  
TC/A.U. : 3727  
Examiner : Niki M. Eloshway  
  
Title : FILAMENT-REINFORCED COMPOSITE  
THERMOPLASTIC PRESSURE VESSEL FITTING  
ASSEMBLY AND METHOD  
  
Docket No. : ENP-14704  
Customer No. : 040854

AMENDMENT 'A'

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20051209)

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated December 13, 2005. The one month period for responding to the Office action expired on January 13, 2006. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests and petitions that the response date be extended, for one month, to February 13, 2006. The \$60.00 extension of time fee is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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